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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT
 FOR THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS**

QIAN XIAOLI,)	Civ. No. 07-0017
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	BILL OF COSTS
vs.)	
)	
GRACE INTERNATIONAL, INC.,)	
)	
Defendant.)	

Plaintiff Qian Xiaoli, the prevailing party in the above captioned matter, hereby submits her bill of costs, as follows:

Filing Fee:	\$350.00
Copying Costs:	\$14.20.
Interpreters' Fees:	\$1455.00.
Attorneys' Fees:	\$35,507.00
Total Costs:	\$37,226.20

The District Court filing fee is billed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1920(1) ("fees of the clerk"). Copying costs are billed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1920(3) ("fees and disbursement for printing") and 28 U.S.C. § 1920(4) ("fees for . . . copies of papers necessarily obtained for use in the case"). Interpreter's fees are billed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1920(6) ("compensation of interpreters").

Attorneys' fees are billed pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 2000e-5(k) ("In any action or proceeding

1 under this subchapter the court, in its discretion, may allow the prevailing party, other than the
2 Commission or the United States, a reasonable attorney's fee (including expert fees) as part of the
3 costs."). Attorneys' fees incurred prior to February 12, 2007, were incurred in connection with
4 Plaintiff's proceedings in the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and are also
5 compensable under 42 U.S.C. § 2000e-5(k) ("action or proceeding"). See, e.g., Curtis v. Bill Hanna
6 Ford, Inc., 822 F.2d 549 (5th Cir. 1987) ("Time spent representing a client before the EEOC when
7 required by Title VII is compensable under 42 U.S.C. § 2000e-5(k).") (citing New York Gaslight
8 Club v. Carey, 447 U.S. 54 (1980)).

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10 A declaration of counsel in support of this Bill of Costs is filed herewith.

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12 Respectfully submitted this 21st day of December, 2007.

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